

<b>SOLICITATION/CONTRACT/ORDER FOR COMMERCIAL ITEMS</b> Offeror To Complete Block 12, 17, 23, 24, & 30				1. Requisition Number		Page 1 Of 10	
2. Contract No.		3. Award/Effective Date		4. Order Number		5. Solicitation Number W56HZV-04-Q-1447	
6. Solicitation Issue Date 2004JUL16		7. For Solicitation Information Call:		A. Name WILLIAM VANTREASE		B. Telephone Number (No Collect Calls) (586) 574-4272	
8. Offer Due Date/Local Time 2004JUL30		9. Issued By TACOM WARREN AMSTA-LC-CJT WARREN, MICHIGAN 48397-5000  HTTP://CONTRACTING.TACOM.ARMY.MIL  e-mail: VANTREAW@TACOM.ARMY.MIL		Code W56HZV		10. This Acquisition Is <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> Set Aside: % For  <input type="checkbox"/> Small Business <input type="checkbox"/> Hubzone Small Business <input type="checkbox"/> 8(A) NAICS: 326211 Size Standard:	
11. Delivery For FOB Destination Unless Block Is Marked <input type="checkbox"/> See Schedule		12. Discount Terms		13a. This Contract Is A Rated Order Under DPAS (18 CFR 700) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		13b. Rating DOA4	
14. Method Of Solicitation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RFQ <input type="checkbox"/> IFB <input type="checkbox"/> RFP		15. Deliver To SEE SCHEDULE		Code		16. Administered By Code	
17. Contractor/Offeror Code Facility		18a. Payment Will Be Made By Code		18b. Submit Invoices To Address Shown In Block 18a Unless Block Below Is Checked <input type="checkbox"/> See Addendum		17b. Check If Remittance Is Different And Put Such Address In Offer	
19. Item No.		20. Schedule Of Supplies/Services  SEE SCHEDULE  (Use Reverse and/or Attach Additional Sheets As Necessary)		21. Quantity		22. Unit	
23. Unit Price		24. Amount		25. Accounting And Appropriation Data		26. Total Award Amount (For Govt. Use Only)	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 27a. Solicitation Incorporates By Reference FAR 52.212-1, 52.212-4, FAR 52.212-3 And 52.212-5 Are Attached. Addenda				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Are <input type="checkbox"/> Are Not Attached.			
<input type="checkbox"/> 27b. Contract/Purchase Order Incorporates By Reference FAR 52.212-4, FAR 52.212-5 Is Attached. Addenda				<input type="checkbox"/> Are <input type="checkbox"/> Are Not Attached.			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 28. Contractor Is Required To Sign This Document And Return 1 Copies to Issuing Office. Contractor Agrees To Furnish And Deliver All Items Set Forth Or Otherwise Identified Above And On Any Additional Sheets Subject To The Terms And Conditions Specified Herein.				<input type="checkbox"/> 29. Award Of Contract: Ref. Offer Dated. Your Offer On Solicitation (Block 5), Including Any Additions Or Changes Which Are Set Forth Herein, Is Accepted As To Items:			
30a. Signature Of Offeror/Contractor				31a. United States Of America (Signature Of Contracting Officer)			
30b. Name And Title Of Signer (Type Or Print)		30c. Date Signed		31b. Name Of Contracting Officer (Type Or Print)		31c. Date Signed	

19. Item No.	20. Schedule Of Supplies/Services	21. Quantity	22. Unit	23. Unit Price	24. Amount

32a. Quantity In Column 21 Has Been

☐ Received ☐ Inspected ☐ Accepted, And Conforms To The Contract, Except As Noted: \_\_\_\_\_

32b. Signature Of Authorized Government Representative		32c. Date	32d. Printed Name and Title of Authorized Government Representative		
32e. Mailing Address of Authorized Government Representative			32f. Telephone Number of Authorized Government Representative		
			32g. E-Mail of Authorized Government Representative		
33. Ship Number		34. Voucher Number	35. Amount Verified Correct For	36. Payment	37. Check Number
<input type="checkbox"/> Partial	<input type="checkbox"/> Final			<input type="checkbox"/> Complete <input type="checkbox"/> Partial <input type="checkbox"/> Final	
38. S/R Account Number	39. S/R Voucher Number	40. Paid By			
41a. I Certify This Account Is Correct And Proper For Payment			42a. Received By (Print)		
41b. Signature And Title Of Certifying Officer			41c. Date	42b. Received At (Location)	
				42c. Date Rec'd (YY/MM/DD)	42d. Total Containers

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

<u>Regulatory Cite</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
1 52.204-4016 (TACOM)	TACOM-WARREN ELECTRONIC CONTRACTING	JUL/2003

(a) TACOM is now operating in an electronic contracting environment. All TACOM solicitations and awards are now distributed on the TACOM Warren Business Opportunities web page (<http://contracting.tacom.army.mil/opportunity.htm>) and are no longer available in hard copy. The TDPs and other documents, when available electronically, will be an attachment or linked to the solicitation package on the web. Please see submission guidelines at <http://contracting.tacom.army.mil/userguide.htm> and <http://contracting.tacom.army.mil/ebidnotice.htm> for more information. Any requirements included in the solicitation take precedence over guidance found on the TACOM contracting web page.

(b) You may need to use special software to view documents that we post on the home page. This viewing software is freeware, available for download at no cost from commercial web sites like Microsoft and Adobe. In cases where such software is required, we provide a link from our page to the commercial site where the software is available. Once you arrive at the software developer's site, follow their instructions to download the free viewer. You then can return to the TACOM home page.

(c) You are required to submit your offer, bid, or quote electronically. See the provision entitled "Electronic Offers (or 'Quotes' or 'Bids') Required in Response to This Solicitation (or 'Request for Quotations')" for more specific information.

(d) Any award issued as a result of this solicitation will be distributed electronically. Awards posted on the TACOM Warren Business Opportunities web page represent complete OFFICIAL copies of contract awards and will include the awarded unit price. This is the notice required by Executive Order 12600 (June 23, 1987) of our intention to release unit prices in response to any request under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 USC 552. Unit price is defined as the contract price per unit or item purchased as it appears in Section B of the contract and is NOT referring to nor does it include Cost or Pricing data/information. If you object to such release, and you intend on submitting an offer, notify the PCO in writing prior to the closing date identified in this solicitation and include the rationale for your objection consistent with the provisions of FOIA. A release determination will be made based on rationale given.

(e) If you have questions or need help in using the Acquisition Center Home Page, call our Electronic Contracting Help Desk at (586) 574-7059, or send an email message to: [acqcenweb@tacom.army.mil](mailto:acqcenweb@tacom.army.mil)

(f) If you have questions about the content of any specific item posted on our home page, please call the buyer or point of contact listed for the item. Additional help is available to small businesses from Government-funded Electronic Commerce Regional Centers (ECRCs) to implement EDI. Information on ECRC is available at <http://www.ecrc.ctc.com>

[End of Clause]

2	52.215-4854 (TACOM)	PAPERLESS ELECTRONIC RESPONSES REQUIRED IN RESPONSE TO THIS SOLICITATION/REQUEST	JUL/2002
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TACOM WILL NOT ACCEPT PAPER OFFERS IN RESPONSE TO THIS SOLICITATION/REQUEST. YOU ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT YOUR OFFER, BID, OR QUOTE VIA PAPERLESS ELECTRONIC MEDIA. SEE THE PROVISION ENTITLED "ELECTRONIC OFFERS (OR 'QUOTES' OR 'BIDS') REQUIRED IN RESPONSE TO THIS SOLICITATION (OR 'REQUEST FOR QUOTATIONS')" FOR MORE SPECIFIC INFORMATION.

[End of Clause]

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ITEM NO	SUPPLIES/SERVICES	QUANTITY	UNIT	UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT
0001	<p>SUPPLIES OR SERVICES AND PRICES/COSTS</p> <p>NSN: 2610-01-182-7558 SECURITY CLASS: Unclassified</p> <p>PURCHASE DESCRIPTION</p> <p>Pneumatic Tire, 23x10.50-12, Load Range B, Bias, tubeless, Industrial garden tractor, Grip Regular tread, Group 1A of Federal Spec ZZ-T-410.</p> <p>The age of the tires when shipped must not be older than 18 months from the date of manufacture or retread.</p> <p>Offerors must identify offered tire and country of origin.</p> <p>(End of narrative B001)</p>				
0001AA	<p><u>PRODUCTION QUANTITY</u></p> <p>NOUN: TIRE,PNEUMATIC,VEHI PRON: EH4Y3080EH PRON AMD: 01 AMS CD: 060011</p> <p><u>Packaging and Marking</u> PACKAGING/PACKING/SPECIFICATIONS: MIL-DTL-4M UNIT PACK: 1 LEVEL PRESERVATION: Military LEVEL PACKING: A</p> <p>Mark in accordance with Mil Std 129. Bar Code Marking is required. Shelf Life 5 years.</p> <p>(End of narrative D001)</p> <p><u>Inspection and Acceptance</u> INSPECTION: Destination ACCEPTANCE: Destination</p> <p><u>Deliveries or Performance</u> DOC SUPPL <u>REL CD MILSTRIP ADDR SIG CD MARK FOR TP CD</u> 001 W56HZV4182U250 W45G19 J 2 <u>DEL REL CD QUANTITY DAYS AFTER AWARD</u> 001 31 0030</p>	31	EA	\$ _____	\$ _____



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CONTRACT CLAUSES

3	52.211-17	DELIVERY OF EXCESS QUANTITIES	SEP/1989
4	52.222-19	CHILD LABOR--COOPERATION WITH AUTHORITIES AND REMEDIES	JUN/2004
5	52.232-33	PAYMENT BY ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER--CENTRAL CONTRACTOR REGISTRATION	OCT/2003
6	52.247-34	F.O.B. DESTINATION	NOV/1991
7	52.247-54	DIVERSION OF SHIPMENT UNDER F.O.B. DESTINATION CONTRACTS	MAR/1989
8	52.211-4514 (TACOM)	PACKAGING REQUIREMENTS (SPECIFICATIONS/STANDARDS)	MAR/2004

(a) The preservation, packing, and marking requirements for this contract/order shall be accomplished in accordance with the requirements in the specification/standard defined below.

(b) The following requirements shall apply:

- (1) LEVEL OF PRESERVATION: M
- (2) LEVEL OF PACKING: A
- (3) QUANTITY PER UNIT PACKAGE: 1
- (4) SPECIFICATION/STANDARD: MIL-DTL-4M

(c) The specification/standard cited is intended to give a clear and accurate description of the technical packaging requirements for the item being procured, including the procedure by which it can be determined that the requirements have been met. Specific instructions and/or tailoring of the specification/standard is detailed in the supplemental instructions below. Any design changes or changes in the method of preservation that provide a cost savings without degrading the method of preservation or packing and without affecting the serviceability of the item will be considered and responded to within 10 days of submission to PCO with copies to the ACO.

The government reserves the right to require testing to validate alternate industrial preservation methods, materials, blocking, bracing, cushioning, and packing.

(d) Marking:

(1) In addition to any special markings called out by the specification/standard above, all unit packages, intermediate packs, exterior shipping containers, and, as applicable, unitized loads shall be marked in accordance with MIL-STD-129P(2), dated 10 Feb. 2004, including bar coding. The contractor is responsible for application of special markings as discussed in the Military Standard regardless of whether specified in the contract/order or not. Special markings include, but are not limited to, Shelf-life markings, structural markings, and transportation special handling markings. The marking of pilferable and sensitive material will not identify the nature of the material.

(2) Contractors and vendors shall apply identification and address markings with bar codes in accordance with this standard. For shipments moving to overseas locations and for mobile deployable units, the in-the-clear address must also include the host country geographic address and the APO/FPO address. A Military Shipment Label (MSL) is required for all shipments except contractor to contractor. The MSL will include both linear and 2D bar codes per the standard. DVD shipment documentation must also be marked with additional bar codes. The DD Form 250 or the commercial packing list shall have additional issue/receipt bar coding applied as per Direct Vendor Delivery Shipments in the standard (except for deliveries to DLA Distribution Depots, e.g. New Cumberland, San Joaquin, Red River, Anniston). Packing lists are required in accordance with the Standard, see paragraph 5.3

(3) Contractor to contractor shipments shall have the address markings applied to the identification marked side of the exterior shipping container or to the unitized load markings. The following shall be marked "FROM: name and address of consignor and TO: name and address of consignee".

(4) Computer Automated Transportation Tool (CATT). The following website provides detailed instructions for downloading and installing the Military Shipment Label/Issue Receipt Document (CATT MSL/IRRD) software that will generate a Military Shipping Label to include the required Code 39 and 2D(PDF417) bar codes on the label: <[http://www.asset-trak.com/catt/msl\\_irrd/mslirrdmain.htm](http://www.asset-trak.com/catt/msl_irrd/mslirrdmain.htm)> This program was developed by the Army and is free to those with government contracts. Two contractors have introduced a version of the MSL software that can be purchased by contractors. Both programs produce labels that appear to be in compliance with the requirements of MIL-STD-129P. Contractors are MILPAC (<<http://milpac.com/>>) and Easysoft Corporation (<<http://easysoftcorp.com/>>). Ensure that the ship to and mark for in-the-clear delivery address is complete including: consignees name, organization, department name, office, building, room, street address, city, state, country code, & DODAAC.

(e) Heat Treatment and Marking of Wood Packaging Materials: Boxes/pallets and any wood used as inner packaging made of non-manufactured wood shall be heat-treated. All non-manufactured wood used in packaging shall be heat treated to a core temperature of 56 degrees Celsius for a minimum of 30 minutes. The box/pallet manufacturer and the manufacturer of wood used as inner packaging shall be

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affiliated with an inspection agency accredited by the board of review of the American Lumber Standard Committee. The box/pallet manufacturer and the manufacturer of wood used as inner packaging shall ensure traceability to the original source of heat treatment. Marking. Each box/pallet shall be marked to show the conformance to the International Plant Protection Convention Standard. The quality mark shall be placed on both ends of the outer packaging, between the end cleats or end battens; on two sides of the pallet. Foreign manufacturers shall have the heat treatment of non-manufactured wood products verified in accordance with their National Plant Protection Organizations compliance program.

(f) Hazardous Materials(As applicable):

(1) Hazardous Materials is defined as a substance, or waste which has been determined by the Secretary of Transportation to be capable of posing an unreasonable risk to health, safety, and property when transported in commerce and which has been so designated. (This includes all items listed as hazardous in Titles 29, 40 and 49 CFR and other applicable modal regulations effective at the time of shipment.)

(2) When applicable, packaging and marking for hazardous material shall comply with the requirements herein for the mode of transport and the applicable performance packaging contained in the following documents:

International Air Transport Association (IATA) Dangerous Goods Regulations  
International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code (IMDG)  
Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Title 29, Title 40 and Title 49  
Joint Service Regulation AFJMAN24-204/TM38-250/NAVSUPPUB 505/MCO  
P4030.19/DLAM 4145.3 (for military air shipments).

(3) If the shipment originates from outside the continental United States, the shipment shall be prepared in accordance with the United Nations Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods in a manner acceptable to the Competent Authority of the nation of origin and in accordance with regulations of all applicable carriers. A Product Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) is required to be included with every unit pack and intermediate container and shall be included with the packing list inside the sealed pouch attached to the outside of the package.

(g) SUPPLEMENTAL INSTRUCTIONS: MILITARY PRESERVATION EQUATES TO "LEVEL A" PRESERVATION IN MIL-DTL-4.

[End of Clause]

9 52.211-16 VARIATION IN QUANTITY APR/1984

(a) A variation in the quantity of any item called for by this contract will not be accepted unless the variation has been caused by conditions of loading, shipping, or packing, or allowances in manufacturing processes, and then only to the extent, if any, specified in paragraph (b) below.

(b) The permissible variation shall be limited to:

ZERO percent increase; and  
ZERO percent decrease.

This increase or decrease shall apply to THE TOTAL CONTRACTUAL QUANTITY.

[End of Clause]

10 252.204-7004 ALTERNATE A NOV/2003

As prescribed in 204.1104, substitute the following paragraph (a) for paragraph (a) of the clause at FAR 52.204-7:

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause--

"Central Contractor Registration (CCR) database" means the primary Government repository for contractor information required for the conduct of business with the Government.

"Commercial and Government Entity (CAGE) code" means--

(1) A code assigned by the Defense Logistics Information Service (DLIS) to identify a commercial or Government entity; or

(2) A code assigned by a member of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization that DLIS records and maintains in the CAGE master file. This type of code is known as an "NCAGE code."

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"Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number" means the 9-digit number assigned by Dun and Bradstreet, Inc. (D&B) to identify unique business entities.

"Data Universal Numbering System +4 (DUNS+4) number" means the DUNS number assigned by D&B plus a 4-character suffix that may be assigned by a business concern. (D&B has no affiliation with this 4-character suffix.) This 4-character suffix may be assigned at the discretion of the business concern to establish additional CCR records for identifying alternative Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) accounts (see Subpart 32.11 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation) for the same parent concern.

"Registered in the CCR database" means that-

(1) The Contractor has entered all mandatory information, including the DUNS number or the DUNS+4 number, into the CCR database;

(2) The Contractor's CAGE code is in the CCR database; and

(3) The Government has validated all mandatory data fields and has marked the records "Active."

[End of Clause]

11                    252.246-7000                    MATERIAL INSPECTION AND RECEIVING REPORT                    MAR/2003

(a) At the time of each delivery of supplies or services under this contract, the Contractor shall prepare and furnish to the Government a material inspection and receiving report in the manner and to the extent required by Appendix F, Material Inspection and Receiving Report, of the Defense FAR Supplement.

(b) Contractor submission of the material inspection and receiving information required by Appendix F of the Defense FAR Supplement by using the Wide Area WorkFlow-Receipt and Acceptance (WAWF-RA) electronic form (see paragraph (b)(1) of the clause at 252.232-7003) fulfills the requirement for a material inspection and receiving report (DD Form 250).

(End of clause)

12                    52.204-4005                    REQUIRED USE OF ELECTRONIC CONTRACTING                    JUN/2004

(a) All contract awards, modifications and delivery orders issued by TACOM will be issued electronically. The contractor has the option to receive these actions either via the Worldwide Web (WWW) or Electronic Data Interchange (EDI). Many provisions/clauses that appear "by reference", meaning only clause titles and regulation site are listed; their full texts can be found at the website <http://farsite.hill.af.mil/>

(b) In order to be eligible to receive an award under this solicitation, the successful offeror must be registered with the Department of Defense (DOD) Central Contractor Registration (CCR). The CCR registration process may be done electronically at the World Wide Web (WWW) site: <http://www.ccr.gov/> . (In order to be registered to use EDI, you must use the long form for registration. Certification information, including information on the EDI 838 TPP, must be furnished to the Contracting Officer within 60 calendar days after contract award to complete networking requirements within the Government.)

(c) Worldwide Web Distribution. The contractor will receive an electronic Notice of the Award, Modification, or Delivery Order via e-mail. If you choose the WWW option, you must download the file from the appropriate TACOM webpage:

Warren: [http://contracting.tacom.army.mil/awards\\_official.htm](http://contracting.tacom.army.mil/awards_official.htm)  
Rock Island: <http://aais.ria.army.mil/AAIS/AWDINFO/index.htm>  
Picatinny: <http://procnet.pica.army.mil/Contracts/Index.htm>  
Red River Army Depot: <http://www.redriver.army.mil/contracting/Awards>  
Anniston Army Depot: <http://www.anadprocnet.army.mil>

(d) Electronic Data Interchange. If you choose to receive contract awards, modifications and delivery orders through EDI, they will be delivered electronically via the Federal Acquisition Network (FACNET). Federal Standard Version 3050 of Standard X12 from the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) will be used as the format for these electronic transactions.

(1) You must complete the EDI 838 Trading Partner Profile, and must agree (i) to subcontract with a DoD certified VAN or Value Added Service (VAS) provider, or (ii) to become DoD certified as a Value Added Network (VAN). The EDI 838 Training Partner Profile is contained in the basic CCR registration form and includes portions of the registration form which are titled "Optional".

(2) You must select a VAN from the official DoD approved list. DoD Certified VANs are listed at <http://www.acq.osd.mil/ec/ecip/index.htm>. If your VAN is later removed from the official list, or if you voluntarily drop your initially selected VAN, then you must switch to a VAN that remains on the official DoD approved list. You must maintain an active



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account on a DoD approved VAN for the entire duration of the contract, beginning no later than the 60th day after award.

(e) Unless otherwise specified elsewhere in the contract, all data items you are required to provide under this contract must be submitted electronically. Acceptable formats include:

- (1) Microsoft\* 2002 Office Products (TACOM can currently read Office 2002\* and lower.): Word, Excel, Powerpoint, or Access
- (2) 100 or 250 MEGABYTE ZIP\*-DISK, 3 1/2 INCH DISK, or 650 MEGABYTE CD ROM
- (3) E-MAIL (Maximum size of each e-mail message is be three and one-half (3.5) megabytes).
- (4) Other electronic formats. Before submitting your data in any other electronic format, please e-mail the buyer identified on the face of the contract, with e-mail copy-furnished to amsta-idq@tacom.army.mil, to obtain a decision as to the format's acceptability. This e-mail must be received by the buyer not later than ten calendar days before the required data submission date.

NOTE: The above formats may be submitted in compressed form using self-extracting files.

(f) Additional information can be obtained by sending a message to: acqcenweb@tacom.army.mil or by calling (586) 574-7059.

[End of Clause]

13	52.204-4009 (TACOM)	MANDATORY USE OF CONTRACTOR TO GOVERNMENT ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION	JUN/1999
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(a) All references in the contract to the submission of written documentation shall mean electronic submission. All electronic submissions shall be in the formats and media described in the "Electronic Quotations/Offers/Bids Required in Response to this Request for Quotations/Proposals/Bids" clause elsewhere in this document. (See Section K for commercial acquisitions, Section L for RFPs, and Section I for RFQs.)

(b) This shall include all written unclassified communications between the Government and the Contractor except contract awards and contract modifications which shall be posted on the internet. Return receipt shall be used if a commercial application is available. Classified information shall be handled in full accordance with the appropriate security requirements.

(c) In order to be contractually binding, all Government communications requiring a Contracting Officer signature must be sent from the Contracting Officer's e-mail address. The Contractor shall designate the personnel with signature authority who can contractually bind the contractor. All binding contractor communication shall be sent from this contractor e-mail address(es).

(d) Upon award, the Contractor shall provide the Contracting Officer with a list of e-mail addresses for all administrative and technical personnel assigned to this contract.

(e) Unless exempted by the Procuring Contracting Officer in writing, all unclassified written communication after contract award shall be transmitted electronically.

[End of Clause]

14	52.246-4026 (TACOM)	LOCAL ADDRESS FOR DD FORM 250	JAN/2002
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(a) The contractor must provide a copy of each Material Inspection and Receiving Report (DD 250) pertaining to this contract, to the addresses given below, using either of the following methods:

(1) Our first preference is for you to use electronic mail (e-mail), using the following e-mail address:  
DD250@tacom.army.mil

(2) Our second preference is for you to use data facsimile (datafax) transmission, using this fax number: (586) 574-5527 and use "DD250 mailbox" in the "to:" block of your fax cover or header sheet.

In either method, do not mix DD250s from more than one contract in a single transmmision. That is, you may submit multiple DD250s in a single transmission, but they must all be against the same contract.

(b) These copies meet the requirements for the Purchasing Office copy and the Army Inventory Control Manager copy listed in tables 1 and 2 of DFARS Appendix F.

(c) The DD250 form may be found, in three different formats, on the World Wide Web at <http://web1.whs.osd.mil/icdhome/DD-0999.htm>

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REPRESENTATIONS, CERTIFICATIONS, AND OTHER STATEMENTS OF OFFERORS

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52.212-4002

EVALUATION--COMMERCIAL ITEMS

AUG/1996

(TACOM)

(a)

We'll award a contract to the offeror that:

1.

submits the lowest evaluated bid or offer, and

2.

submits a bid or proposal that meets all the material requirements of this solicitation, and

3.

meets all the responsibility criteria at FAR 9.104.

(b)

To make sure that you meet the responsibility criteria at FAR 9.104 we may:

1.

arrange a visit to your plant and perform a preaward survey;

2.

ask you to provide financial, technical, production, or managerial background information.

(c)

Options. We will evaluate offers for award purposes by adding the total price for all options to the total price for the basic requirement. We may determine that an offer is unacceptable if the option prices are significantly unbalanced. Evaluation of options shall not obligate us to exercise the option(s).

(d)

A written notice of award or acceptance of an offer, mailed or otherwise furnished to the successful offeror within the time for acceptance specified in the offer, shall result in a binding contract without further action by either party. Before the offer's specified expiration time, we may accept an offer (or part of an offer), regardless of whether there are negotiations after its receipt, unless a written notice of withdrawal is received before award.

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